

Seminary Welcomes New Class



“All of us at St. Vincent extend our warmest regards and best wishes to the fifteen men of our new first year class,” said Monsignor Keith R. Brennan, Rector-President of the seminary. “We look forward to getting to know each of them as they proceed on the path of formation.”

“We ask the people of God to remember these new members of our St. Vincent family and all of our seminarians in their prayers,” said Rev. Steven O’Hala, Vice Rector and Dean of Academic Formation. “They represent the future of the Catholic Church,” he noted.

The new seminarians at St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary are:

- Archdiocese of Miami – Luis Alvarez, Elvis Gonzalez, Daniel Martin, Sergio Torrez
- Diocese of Orlando – Dominic Buckley, Peter Dionne, Benjamin Lehnertz
- Diocese of Palm Beach – Michael Cairnes, Pierre Soul Estefont, Dennis Gonzales
- Diocese of St. Petersburg – Viet Vu Nguyen, Justin Paskert
- Diocese of St. Augustine – Richard Pagano
- Diocese of Venice – Joseph R. Gates
- Diocese of Richmond, VA – Carlos Lerman

Owned by the seven Roman Catholic dioceses of the Province of Florida, St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary has educated nearly 500 priests since its founding in 1963, including the 10 members of its 45th class in May of 2008. A major bilingual and multi-cultural theologate, St. Vincent is also a freestanding, graduate, professional School of Theology providing continuing education for clergy, religious and laity of all denominations.